

ASSEMBLY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

ASSEMBLY, Nos. 677 and 3562

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 19, 2022

The Assembly Education Committee reports favorably Assembly Committee Substitute for Assembly Bill Nos. 677 and 3562.

This committee substitute provides that the State Board of Education is prohibited from requiring a candidate for a certificate of eligibility with advanced standing (CEAS) or a certificate of eligibility (CE) to complete a Commissioner of Education approved performance-based assessment in order to be eligible for CEAS or CE certification. This bill permits educator preparation programs to require that CEAS and CE candidates complete a performance-based assessment. An educator preparation program performance-based assessment will meet requirements set by the commissioner approved professional education accreditation body for the educator preparation program. Additionally, the bill prohibits a CEAS educator preparation program, or a CE educator preparation program, from considering whether a candidate for a CEAS or a CE has completed a commissioner approved performance-based assessment when making a determination as to whether to recommend a candidate for CEAS or CE certification.

Under current State Board of Education regulations, all CEAS and CE candidates are required to pass a commissioner approved performance-based assessment, currently the edTPA.

As reported by the committee, this bill is identical to Senate Bill No. 896 (1R), which was amended and also reported by the committee on this same date.